

**Please indicate the appropriate response to the following questions.**

1. What is your age?  
☐ Under 25   ☐ 26-45   ☐ 46-65   ☐ Over 65
2. How many people live in your household?  
☐ 1-2   ☐ 3-4   ☐ 5-6   ☐ 7 or more
3. How many children under the age of 18 live in your household?  
☐ 0   ☐ 1-2   ☐ 3-4   ☐ 5 or more
4. How often do you and your family visit a park in Terre Haute?  
☐ Daily   ☐ Several times a year  
☐ Once a week   ☐ Once a year  
☐ Once a month   ☐ Never
5. How often do you visit parks outside Terre Haute?  
☐ Daily   ☐ Several times a year  
☐ Once a week   ☐ Once a year  
☐ Once a month   ☐ Never
6. Do you reside in the city limits of Terre Haute?  
☐ Yes   ☐ No
7. If you answered yes to the question above, how long have you lived in Terre Haute?  
☐ Less than 1 year   ☐ 11 to 20 years  
☐ 1 to 10 years   ☐ More than 20 years
8. Which county do you live in?  
☐ Vigo   ☐ Putnam  
☐ Clay   ☐ Sullivan  
☐ Owen   ☐ Parke  
☐ Edgar (IL)   ☐ Clark (IL)  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
9. How close do you live to the nearest Terre Haute city park?  
☐ Less than 5 blocks   ☐ 1 to 2 miles  
☐ 5 to 10 blocks   ☐ Over 2 miles
10. Which neighborhood or subdivision do you live in?  
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11. Which park do you and your family visit most often?  
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12. What do you like most about this park?  
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13. How do you and your family most often find out about park programs or events?  
☐ Posted Signs   ☐ Newspapers  
☐ Internet   ☐ Direct Mailings  
☐ Brochures/Fliers   ☐ TV/Radio  
☐ Word of Mouth
14. What do you and your family like the least about Terre Haute's parks?  
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15. What park and recreation facilities and activities does Terre Haute need?  
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16. Please check all reasons that prevent you or members of your household from using Terre Haute Parks and Recreation facilities or programs.  
☐ Facilities are not well maintained  
☐ Facilities don't have the right equipment  
☐ Security is poor  
☐ Hours of operation are not convenient  
☐ Too far away from our home  
☐ Fees are too expensive  
☐ Program times are inconvenient  
☐ Programs are full  
☐ I do not have transportation to get there  
☐ Members of our household use facilities/programs provided by other organizations  
☐ We are too busy  
☐ We are not interested  
☐ Lack of quality programs  
☐ User fees are too high for specific recreation activities
17. Following are some statements regarding parks and recreation in Terre Haute. Indicate for each of the statements if you:  
 (1) Strongly Agree   (4) Somewhat Disagree  
 (2) Somewhat Agree   (5) Strongly Disagree  
 (3) No Opinion  
 \_\_\_\_\_ There are enough outdoor recreation facilities in Terre Haute.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ There are enough indoor recreation facilities in Terre Haute.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ There are enough active recreation opportunities in Terre Haute. (e.g. organized sports)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ There are enough passive recreation opportunities in Terre Haute. (e.g. biking, walking, picnicking)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Additional trails are needed in Terre Haute.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ I feel safe when I visit parks and use trails in Terre Haute.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ In general, there is adequate parking in Terre Haute's parks.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ In general, the Terre Haute Parks and Recreation Dept. offers a wide variety of programs.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Overall, the parks in Terre Haute are well maintained.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ The Parks Dept. does a good job of informing the public of programs and services offered.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ The Parks Dept. should spend more money on additional facilities and new parks.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ The Parks Dept. should spend more money maintaining existing facilities and parks.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ The recreational needs of Terre Haute's special needs residents are adequately met.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ The recreational needs of Terre Haute's senior citizens are adequately met.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ The recreational needs of Terre Haute's youth are adequately met.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ The recreational needs of Terre Haute's adults are adequately met.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Terre Haute needs a water park or aquatics center.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ I would be willing to pay more than a \$5 daily gate fee for a high quality aquatic center.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Terre Haute needs a skate park.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ I would be willing to pay higher user fees for activities I participate in.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Under utilized facilities should be replaced with new facilities that are in demand.

18. Would you be in favor of a bond issue to develop major park facilities?

☐ Yes ☐ No

19. Would you support increased user fees to improve activities you participate in?

☐ Yes ☐ No

20. Of the recreation activities listed below, select as many as you or your family participate in.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Baseball               | <input type="checkbox"/> Playgrounds       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Softball               | <input type="checkbox"/> Picnicking        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Football               | <input type="checkbox"/> Art               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Day Trips         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball             | <input type="checkbox"/> Horse shoes       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball             | <input type="checkbox"/> Card Games        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golf                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Concerts          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming               | <input type="checkbox"/> Festivals         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swim Lessons           | <input type="checkbox"/> Frisbee Golf      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking/Hiking         | <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biking                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Reading           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jogging                | <input type="checkbox"/> Dancing           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Center  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tournaments            | <input type="checkbox"/> Activities        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Skating/Skate Boarding | <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Camps      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Skating/Hockey     | <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing           |

21. What other comments do you or your family have regarding available park and recreation opportunities in Terre Haute?

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## PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY SEPTEMBER, 2004



### Five Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan Terre Haute, Indiana

#### Park and Recreation Board

#### Terre Haute Parks and Recreation

*Please take a few minutes to fill out this public opinion survey for the Terre Haute Parks and Recreation Department. For your convenience, this survey is also available on the City of Terre Haute's website noted below.*

*We appreciate your participation.*

*Please return the completed survey by  
October 11, 2004*

*to:*

**Terre Haute Parks and Recreation Department  
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**Website:**

**[http://www.terrehaute.in.gov/dpt\\_d\\_parks.html](http://www.terrehaute.in.gov/dpt_d_parks.html)**

**E-Mail: [Parks@terrehaute.in.gov](mailto:Parks@terrehaute.in.gov)**

*Thank you for participating in this survey. The information you have provided will be used by the City of Terre Haute Park Board and the Park and Recreation Department in the preparation of the 5-year Park and Recreation Master Plan.*

*No individual survey results will be published. The summary results of this survey will be published in the Master Plan report and will be posted in the park office.*

